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Honorable Lewis A. Kaplan Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl St. New York, NY 10007-1312

Re: MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger, et al., v. U.S. Dep't of Health and

Human Services, et al., 21 Civ. 475 (LAK)

Dear Judge Kaplan:

This Office represents the defendant federal agencies and government officials sued in their official capacities (together, the "government") in this action. Last month, all of the plaintiffs in this case except one—the Ark of Freedom Alliance ("AFA")—voluntarily dismissed their claims. See ECF No. 95. Counsel for AFA moved to withdraw from their representation, noting among other things that AFA had apparently dissolved while the case was pending. See Motion to Withdraw as Counsel, ECF No. 91. On May 7, the Court granted the motion to withdraw, and ordered AFA that it must obtain new counsel to enter an appearance within 30 days—by June 6—or the case would be dismissed. See Order, ECF No. 96.

No new counsel has entered an appearance. Accordingly, we respectfully suggest that the action may now be dismissed as contemplated by the Court's May 7 order.

We thank the Court for its attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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